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Hunting Banned: Deer-Car Collisions Up

Princeton township, New Jersey effectively banned hunting in 1972 when it passed an ordinance forbidding the discharge of firearms within the corporate limits. Since then, deer numbers have increased and deer-car collisions have gone up 342 percent, according to the Wildlife Management Institute.

Reports from New Jersey say that Princeton landowners were concerned with problems of controlling hunting on their estates and pressured the Township Committee to ban the sport altogether. But only the State has authority to set game seasons and control hunting, so the Committee decided to prohibit firearms discharge instead. This reportedly was done for residents' safety, even though the Chief of Police said that no person in the Township had ever been injured in a firearm accident involving deer hunters.

Township police stated that there were 33 deer-car collisions in 1972 when the ordinance passed. By 1976, the number had risen to 81. And in 1981, 113 were reported to the authorities. It appears that hunters with firearms have a much better public safety record in Princeton Township than either the white-tailed deer they once kept under control or the Township Committee.

Bowhunters Who Care Legal Hot Line (209) 332-2465

The last issue of the Tab and the expressed interest I talked about on a **Legal Hotline** was very well accepted.

We still need Bowhunters Who Care attorneys from not only Bowhunters Who Care attorney like Paul D. Coleman of Topeka Kansas, but many other members liking the idea.

We still need Bowhunter Who Care attorneys from many other states. So if you want to help or know an attorney who wants to help, have them call us or better yet write us.

Also remember if you have a problem pertaining to Bowhunting in your area or state, give us a call.

Doug Walker
Executive Secretary

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Better Hunter Judgment, A Key Factor In Hunting Accidents

RIVERSIDE, CT.—Knowing whether a shot at game is safe—or whether it's not—is the important judgment call a hunter faces each time he shoulders his gun. Making the right decision, often in just an instant, is a critical hunting safety concept and a basic responsibility of everyone who hunts. Indeed, hunting accident statistics show that the wrong judgment in "shoot-don't shoot" situations is the prime cause of a significant number of hunting accidents each year.

The following hunting accident situations are among the most common in which hunter judgment plays a major role. The safety points they make are good advice for both the veteran and novice shooter. Remember, whether an accident was caused by ignorance, carelessness or just a momentary lapse in concentration, the result can be the same.

Situation 1

Fellow hunter is out of sight of shooter. The importance of knowing where everyone in your hunting group is, at all times, cannot be overemphasized. This is particularly important when moving through heavy cover or terrain that obscures constant visual contact. If you don't know where your hunting partners are, you won't know what your safe zone of fire is. And always, whether you're hunting by yourself or with others, know what lies beyond your line of fire.

Situation 2

Fellow hunter is covered by shooter swinging on game: Whether walking through cover or hunting from stationary positions, always have a clear mental picture of your safe zone of fire. In fact, it's always a good idea to discuss zones of fire with our hunting partners before you head off through fields or woods or before you take up pass shooting locations. Under no circumstances should you ever swing on a target beyond your safe zone of fire. Remember, hunter orange clothing is a great aid in helping you maintain visual contact with your hunting partners.

Situation 3

Fellow hunter mistaken for game: Always take whatever time is necessary to be sure that your intended target is fully and clearly visible. If you're not absolutely sure, don't shoot. This is doubly important when hunting in poor light and adverse weather. Hunter orange clothing has dramatically reduced mistaken-for-game accidents. Be sure to always wear it, whether mandatory in your state or not.

Remember, firearms safety depends on you—make no mistake about it.

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And Get your
Local Club, State Or
Archery Shop
To
**Sign Up
NOW!!**

*You cannot push anyone
up the ladder unless he is
willing to climb himself.*
Andrew Carnegie

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Legislative Axioms for The Beginning Lobbyist

Ed Glasgow, CAE

1. Don't overkill.
2. Keep a low profile.
3. Some things are never dead.
4. Never leave early.
5. Always keep a vehicle available.
6. Don't tinker with the other person's bill.
7. It's easier to kill a Bill than pass it.
8. Play defense whenever possible.
9. Read the conference committee reports.
10. Get an REA picture book.
11. A conference committee is a whole new ball game.
12. If you hear it, don't repeat it; if you see it, don't report it.
13. The session is not over until sine die.
14. Galleries are for tourists.
15. Take nothing for granted.
16. Nothing is totally true.
17. When someone says "don't worry about it", worry about it.
18. Watch out for "simple amendments" to your Bill.
19. Watch out for the person who states, "I am not here to oppose this Bill, but . . ."
20. When someone says, "the code counsel will clean this Bill up", worry.
21. Look out for the person representing himself.
22. Look out for the person who states, "I wasn't planning on talking on this Bill, but . . ."
23. It doesn't make a difference what they say about you or your Bill if you got the horses.
24. Watch the consent calendar.
25. Always remember, every Bill has to be signed by the Governor.
26. A rule is a rule, until it's suspended.
27. If your Bill is "517ed", look it up in the red book.
28. Remember, there are only 40 legislative days in the odd numbered years. If your Bill has been defeated to the 41st day, you are in big trouble.
29. The winter sun is better in the Senate lobby.
30. Never hog the Bill spindle.
31. A hoghouse ain't for pigs.
32. Stay out of Appropriations and House judiciary.
33. Introduce yourself to Jeremiah.
34. Always have someone standing by with a motion to reconsider.
35. It's not the quantity of sponsors, but the quality of the sponsors.
36. Before you leave the Capital Building, make a final swing.
37. Never say "never." Say "hardly ever . . ."
38. Just before they kill your bill, suggest a summer study.
39. Just before they pass out a bill you want to kill, suggest a summer study.
40. If you want to get out of explaining your position, state "I am no lawyer and . . ."
41. As a last resort, you can always state "We didn't do too well in the legislature, but I feel we have an excellent chance in court."
42. There is always next year.
43. If you can't find a sponsor, get your bill introduced as a committee bill.
44. When trying to get a vote reconsidered, don't count on your "yes'es.
45. After you have been beaten into the ground, always state, "Well, we can live with it."
46. Never get married to a bill.
47. It's hard to compromise after they have killed your bill.
48. If your bill is complicated state, "Go ahead and pass it, and we'll clean it up next year."
49. An optimist out of town lobbyist is one who holds his room over for one more day.
50. If your bill is an appropriations bill, a cut is not necessarily a reduction.

No Man's Life, Liberty or Property are Safe While the Legislature is in Session.

New Bowhunters Who Care Booklet

**A Bowhunters Guide
to Farmer/Rancher
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CHANGED TO
"WITH PERMISSION"**

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President's Letter

The animal rights issue is big. It is going to get a lot bigger . . . and more troublesome. The anti-everything folks feel they have a live one here, and they're going to push it for all they're worth.

We need to be aware of this because you know as well as I that animal rights and anti-hunting movements are synonymous.

We need to be much more than just aware of it. We need to be active. There needs to be a coalition of agricultural, medical, industrial and sportsmen groups to tackle the problem. The first three groups are very aware of the problem right now. They have been fighting it for awhile. Sportsmen, however, haven't recognized the problem itself in most instances, and we haven't really recognized the magnitude of it when we have recognized the basic problem. This includes medical research—which means that you and I don't become the test subjects; it includes feedlot animals (they apparently have a right to run free and not be given some food additives, according to some arguments); it includes the suppliers of materials, medicines, feeds and such for these industries.

We, as sportsmen, **must** recognize the problem, because if we don't we're on the verge of losing before we even get organized. Some sportsmen might feel uncomfortable joining with the other groups, but we certainly **do** have a common interest, and we must work together for the continuation of our common interests.

Where does Bowhunters Who Care fit in?

Landowner relationships and access are two of our biggest direct problems. We frequently don't have a lot to talk about with farmers and ranchers other than to ask for permission to hunt on their land.

But now we sure do. This puts us squarely on the same side of a hot issue with them. We have a large issue we can work together on. In so doing, we stand to gain just as much as they do, and we all stand an excellent chance of getting to know each other much better. Hunters and landowners ought to understand each other better; we ought to be comfortable with them; we ought to accept each other better and treat each other right at all times. Hogs and holsteins helped put me through college; would you like to know my thoughts when I overhear someone talking about "those dumb farmers"? You can guess.

As bowhunters, one of our major faults is that we spend 99 percent of the time talking to each other. This makes for highly entertaining conversation, but it doesn't go very far toward solving our problems.

Without a place to hunt, we are nothing.

As bowhunters who do, indeed, care, we have an opportunity to do some great things for our sport and for all hunting . . . and fishing too, because fishermen aren't immune, either.

There is a lot to be done. We have started the wheels turning within Bowhunters Who Care. We'll keep you informed as things progress.

We need each other in this concern. Let us know your thoughts. suggestions are welcome. There's plenty for all to do. Remember, we know that hunting is a privilege . . . so where does this put us when some of the anti's start talking about "rights"?

—Glenn Helegland, President

JOIN NOW!

YES, please enroll me as a member of Bowhunters Who Care for the number of years indicated at the right. I understand I will receive all member benefits and any new benefits instated during this period.

(Please Print)

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What you get with your membership:

Subscription to the TAB — A bi-monthly publication to enable all members to keep "tab" on what's happening in the organization...what's new...what other bowhunting clubs and members are doing.

Personal Membership Packet — Six unique identification cards that, if you live up to the code of ethics imprinted thereon, you should get a place to hunt...a handsome embroidered membership patch...a membership card...a colorful decal and bumper sticker.



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☐ Besides receiving your certificate you will also receive a beautiful 2' x 3' BOWHUNTERS WHO CARE flag to fly with your own colors.

Big Game Recovery

Guide from NBEF

A new BIG GAME RECOVERY GUIDE for both gunhunters and bowhunters is now available from the NBEF. Emphasizing the responsibility of big game hunters to know the basics of the trailing and recover of game animals, this excellent booklet is highly recommended for all sportsmen who hunt big game.

Two recent surveys indicate a critical need for this information getting into the hands of all big game hunters. The first is directed to the non-hunting public on the subject of sport hunting and was conducted by the National Shooting Sports Foundation. The other is a Wisconsin study of sportsmen who hunt with both gun and bow by Drs. Robert Jackson and Robert Norton from the University of Wisconsin. Conclusions indicate a definite concern on the part of both non-hunters and hunters regarding the recovery of game in the field.

The "Big Game Recovery Guide" indicates where to aim with bow and gun, has authentic drawings of the internal anatomy of deer and bear and step-by-step details of what to do from the time the shot is taken to the recovery of the game. The tyvek cover is tear and waterproof and the booklet fits easily in the pocket of a hunting shirt.

The guide is available from the National Bowhunter Education Foundation, Rt. 6, Box 199, Murray, Kentucky 42071 for one dollar; in quantities of 100 at 60 cents each; 500-50 cents each and 1000 at 40 cents. The back cover provides space for advertising or a special message.

Quantity prices are available on request for organizations or manufacturers and include a printed ad when purchased in lots of 10,000 or more.

The guide is designed for use in hunter education courses as well as for all gun and bow big game hunters. The future of hunting depends on hunter education. Every hunter should know and practice the procedures outlined in this guide as a responsible representative of the sport.

All profits from the sale of this guide go to the national Bowhunter Education Foundation, a non-profit organization, and are used in hunter education.

Clubs May Affiliate

Any state or local bowhunting and/or archery club may make application to affiliate with BOWHUNTERS WHO CARE in the following manner:

1. Fill out an official BOWHUNTERS WHO CARE Affiliation Application Form. (Forms may be procured by writing the National Office, P.O. Box 269, Columbus, Nebraska 68601.)

2. Submit application with check or money order in the amount of \$25.00.

3. Affiliated clubs will receive the following:

a) An official 3½"x2½" BOWHUNTERS WHO CARE flag.

b) Three copies of the bi-monthly publication THE TAB to be sent directly to any three club officers.

c) The use of BOWHUNTERS WHO CARE official emblem on club stationery, in club publications, or other club printed material.

4. Individual club members may become active members of BOWHUNTERS WHO CARE and receive all benefits by paying the regular membership fee of \$10.00 for one year or \$15.00 for two years. An active member's immediate family, including spouse and children under 16, may become Associate Members by simply purchasing official BOWHUNTERS WHO CARE patches at \$1.50 each and/or decals at 75 cents each. Only active members will be eligible for all BOWHUNTERS WHO CARE benefits.

Even though he drives you crazy during the season,

You can't help but share in his pride when he gets a trophy or some type of prize!

He's like a kid at Christmas season — when he throws open the trunk and shows you the reason!

All the weekends at home, all the parties you missed — and all the explaining that Dad still lives here — what a mess!

It is all worthwhile when you see that look in his eye and the accomplishment of a real pioneer guy.

With a gleam in his eye he can boast, he provided that venison roast!

And after a long three months the time has arrived,

Hunting season is over and the whole family survived!

God Bless our Bowhunters weathered and strong,

But most of all thanks for making bow-hunting season only three months long!

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